REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated February 23, 2006, claims 1, 7, 13, and 19 have been amended. Claims 1-20 are in the case. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are requested.

The Office Action rejected claims 1-20 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph as allegedly failing to comply with the written description requirement.

The Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection. However, in an effort to expedite the prosecution of this case, the Applicant has removed the terms specifically objected to by the Examiner by amending claims 1, 7, 13, and 19, which the Applicant believes overcomes this rejection.

The Office Action rejected claims 1-18 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Henry et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,856,800). The Office Action also rejected claims 19-20 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Henry et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,856,800) in view of Hosein et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,430,694).

The Applicant respectfully traverses these rejections based on the amendments to the claims and the arguments below.

For example, with regard to the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e), Henry et al. merely disclose a system that can "...locally authenticate an arriving mobile...and thus grant temporary access..." (see col. 3, lines 2-5). In contrast, the Applicant's newly amended independent claim 1 now includes allowing <u>continued work on authorized activity</u> and means for <u>denying access to new activities until the authorized activity is completed.</u> Also, claims 7, 13, and 19 now include granting access to new activities and control parameters on the computer device if remote authentication is successful **unless** the <u>authorized activity is not completed</u>, wherein the <u>new activity is denied</u> and <u>storing identification data from a subsequent user</u> **while** a <u>previous user's activity is being completed.</u> Clearly, among other things, these new features are **not** disclosed in Henry et al.

Support for these newly amended features can be found in FIGS. 2-3 and at least at paragraphs [0020], [0021], and [0031] of the Applicant's U.S. Patent Publication 2003/0093690 A1. For instance, paragraph [0021] states "[G]ranting or continuing access to these users would, respectively, allow the user to change control parameters

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(such as unlocking the lock), access network resources, conduct banking transactions, or send communications." Further, paragraph [0031] continues to state "...if access has already been granted at step 110, then a successful remote authentication will continue that access before returning to step 102 where the system 1 continues working on the authorized activity. During such authorized activities, the client 10 may wait for a new username and password in order to begin a new activity, or the client may simply deny access for any new activities until the authorized activity is completed. The client 10 may also be configured to receive and/or store identification data from a subsequent user while the previous user's activity is being completed."

However, unlike the Applicant's claimed invention, Henry et al. instead explicitly states that after local authentication, "...the mobile host 200 is temporarily enabled on the new access network, and thus can respectively send and receive packets to and from the network." Hence, Henry et al. allows full access and does **not** grant access to new activities **unless** the authorized activity is not completed, wherein the new activity is denied and does **not** store identification data from a subsequent user while a previous user's activity is being completed, as claimed by the Applicant.

As such, since the cited reference does not disclose all of the elements of the claimed invention, the reference cannot anticipate the claims. Hence, the Applicant respectfully submits that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102 should be withdrawn.

Regarding the rejection of claims 19-20, Henry et al. in combination with Hosein et al. do not disclose, teach, or suggest the Applicant's granting access to new activities and control parameters on the computer device if remote authentication is successful **unless** the authorized activity is not completed, wherein the new activity is denied and storing identification data from a subsequent user while a previous user's activity is being completed, like the Applicant's claimed invention.

Further, because the remaining dependent claims depend from the above-argued respective independent claims, and they contain additional limitations that are patentably distinguishable over the cited references, these claims are also considered to be patentable (MPEP § 2143.03).

Thus, it is respectfully requested that all of the claims be allowed based on the amendments and arguments. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to
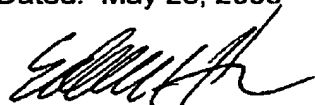
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withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue.

Additionally, in an effort to further the prosecution of the subject application, the Applicant

kindly **requests** the Examiner to telephone the Applicant's attorney at **(818) 885-1575**.

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